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Application No.: 09/817,559

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Group Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: Julio C. Gonzalez

Title: SENSORLESS SWITCHED RELUCTANCE ELECTRIC

MACHINE WITH SEGMENTED STATOR

Attorney Docket: 3174-000003

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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Respectfully submitted,

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